

Amendments of the Claims

The following list of claims replaces all previous versions of claims.

1-21 (Cancelled)

22. (Original) A method for flowing a liquid on a surface, the method comprising:

- supplying the liquid from a first port of an applicator device to one end of a flow path of the device;
- applying to the liquid a first port pressure via the first port;
- receiving the liquid from the other end of the flow path in a second port of the device;
- applying to the liquid via the second port a second port pressure different to the first port pressure;
- promoting, via the difference between the first and second port pressures, flow of the liquid from the first port to the second port via the flow path in response to the flow path being located proximal to the surface and the liquid therein contacting the surface;
- and,
- drawing, via the first and second port pressures, the liquid towards at least the second port in response to withdrawal of the flow path from the surface.

23. (Original) A method as claimed in claim 22, further comprising, following withdrawal of the flow path from the surface, relocating the device at another position on the surface.

24. (Original) A method as claimed in claim 22, further comprising, following withdrawal of the flow path from the surface, relocating the device on another surface.

25. (Original) A method as claimed in claim 22, further comprising contacting the surface with the device and thereafter spacing the device from the surface to define a surface

channel between the surface and the flow path for passage of the liquid from the first port to the second port.

26. (Original) A method as claimed in claim 22, comprising locating the device in a humid environment to initialize the flow of the liquid from the first port to the second port.

27. (Original) A method as claimed in claim 26, comprising cooling one or both of the device and the surface to initialize the flow of the liquid via condensation.

28. (Original) A method as claimed in claim 22, comprising applying an electric field between the device and the surface to initialize the flow of the liquid from the first port to the second port.

29. (Original) A method as claimed in claim 22, comprising applying a pressure pulse to the liquid to initialize the flow of the liquid from the first port to the second port.

30. (Original) A method as claimed in claim 22, comprising applying a heat pulse to the liquid to initialize the flow of the liquid from the first port to the second port via vaporization of the liquid.

31. (Original) A method as claimed in claim 22, comprising reversing the direction of flow of the liquid by reversing the pressure difference between the first port and the second port.

32. (Original) A method as claimed in claim 22, comprising drawing, via the first and second port pressures, the liquid towards the first and second ports in response to withdrawal of the flow path from the surface.